CLAIMS

- 1. A computer system, comprising
- a local network domain of communicating computers;
- a connection for communication with an external network;
- a gate device coupled between the local network and the connection,
 which gate device is arranged to check files sent from the local network to the connection for whether they contain a security tag, and to send or not send on each file to the connection depending on detection of the presence or absence of the security tag in the file.
- 2. A computer system according to claim 1, wherein the gate device is arranged to block sending on of the file if the security tag is present in the file.
 - 3. A computer system according to claim 1 or 2, wherein the communicating computers are arranged to encrypt a substantial part of the file when providing the security tag.
- 4. A gate device with a coupling for connection of a local network and a connection for an external network, which gate device is arranged to check files sent from the local network to the connection for whether they contain a security tag, and to send or not send on each file to the connection depending on detection of the presence or absence of the security tag in the file.
 - 5. A method for protecting information transport from a local network to an external network, which method comprises the steps of
 - providing a security tag in selected files;

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- examining files sent by a gate device of the local network to the external network for the presence of the security tags;
 - blocking or sending on those files in which a security tag is present.